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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action of May 18, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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TC 1700IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims:

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 1098. (New) The process of claim 1, wherein the aqueous solution of alkali metal silicate has a pH of at least about 13.

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 99. (New) The aqueous polysilicate microgel of claim 8, wherein the aqueous solution of alkali metal silicate has a pH of at least about 13.

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 100. (New) The process of claim 14, wherein the aqueous solution of alkali metal silicate has a pH of at least about 13.

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